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MARITIME TREATIES ON PRUDENTIAL LINES SERVICE

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1. IN NOTE DATED MARCH 17, FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS REPLIED TO
EMBASSY'S AIDE MEMOIRE OF JANUARY 10. NOTE FORWARDS ANNEX
WHICH SUMMARIZES POSITION OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COM-
MUNICATIONS. SUMMARY FOLLOWS:

1) BILATERAL CARGO AGREEMENTS WITH LAFTA COUNTRIES DESIGNED
TO PROVIDE MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY RELATIONS;

2) THERE ARE SIMILAR MARITIME AGREEMENTS BETWEEN U.S.
SHIPPING COMPANIES AND LAFTA MARITIME COMPANIES;

3) GRACE PRUDENTIAL SERVICE IS NOT OUT AND BACK SERVICE
BUT RATHER IN AROUND CONTINENT SERVICE AND THEREFORE DEPENDS
FOR ITS ECONOMIC VIABILITY ON ZONAL CABOTAGE TRAFFIC
TO WHICH MEMBER COUNTRIES' COMPANIES DIRECTLY INVOLVED
IN TRADE HAVE PRIORITY CLAIM AND NOT THIRD COUNTRY COMPANIES;

4) ON THOSE ROUTES SERVICED BY PERUVIAN COMPANIES WITHIN A
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CONFERENCE, AS APPROVED BY THE GOP, THE CONFERENCE AGREE-

MENTS ARE RESPECTED AS ESTABLISHED IN THE CODE OF CONDUCT
TO BE RATIFIED SOON BY THE UNITED NATIONS;

5) IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THERE ARE NO MARITIME CONFERENCES,
PERU HAS FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY TO SET ADEQUATE NORMS
AND REGULATIONS THAT MUST BE RESPECTED BY SHIPPING LINES
STOPPING AT PERUVIAN PORTS;

6) NATIONAL REGULATIONS WILL NOT DEPRIVE A MARITIME CONFERENCE
OF CARGO TO BE CARRIED BY THOSE MEMBER COMPANIES IN AC-
CORDANCE WITH THE CONFERENCE AGREEMENT TO WHICH PERUVIAN
COMPAINES BELONG;

7) IF THERE IS AN AGREEMENT REACHED AMONG LAFTA MEMBER
COUNTRIES, THE PRESENCE OF GRACE PRUDENTIAL IN ITS "ROUND
THE CONTINENT" SERVICE WOULD NOT BE CONVENIENT (CONSECUENTE)
WITH PERUVIAN INTERESTS;

8) IT MUST BE KEPT IN MIND THAT PRUDENTIAL GRACE HAS
ESTABLISHED TRAFFICE BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND
SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES THROUGH POOLING ARRANGEMENTS.

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